

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Joseph Scott was born on October 21, 1991, to Dan and Jeannell Scott, and lives with his parents at Ft. Pierre, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Joseph is a student at St. Joseph's School in Pierre and is currently in the 5th grade; and,

Whereas, Joseph developed an interest in the sport of hockey at a very young age and has participated in the Mite and Squirt levels of hockey; and,

Whereas, Joseph is the survivor of a near fatal automobile/bicycle accident on August 27, 2003, while riding his bicycle after school; and,

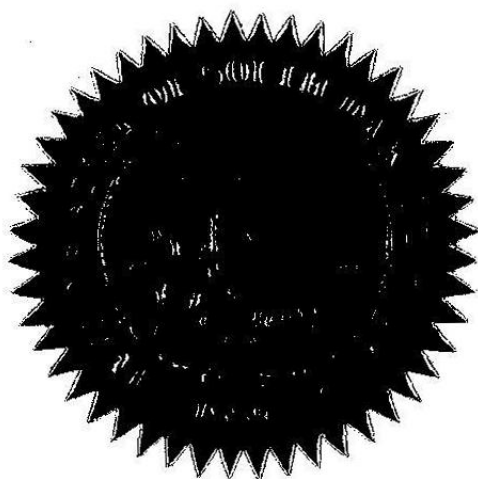
Whereas, Joseph sustained serious head injuries and his doctor has advised him not to participate in any contact sports as it could be a detriment to his health, therefore, he was unable to advance to the Pee-Wee level in hockey this past fall; and,

Whereas, Joseph's jersey, number "48", will be presented to him during the Capitals vs. Kearney, Nebraska, hockey game on Friday, January 2, 2004, by his teammates and coaches:

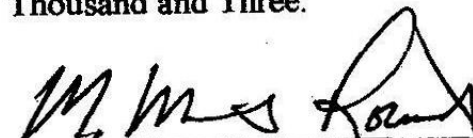
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 2, 2004, as

JOSEPH SCOTT DAY

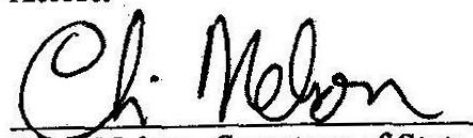
in South Dakota, and I join Ft. Pierre Mayor Sam Tidball, teammates, coaches, and fans in honoring Joseph on this special occasion and wish him well.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State